

# INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International application No.

## A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

A61G-7/10; A61H-3/00 (XRef.)

## B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

A61G-7/10; A61H-3/00; USPC: 212/189; 5/81R; 5/83; 5/87

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields

Electronic database(s) consulted during the international search (name of database(s) and, where practicable, search terms  
Delphion, USPTO, Techsource (Canadian Patent Database))

## C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant	Relevant to claim No(s).
X	US 4,944,056 (Schroeder et al.), July 31, 1990 column 5, lines 10 to 13, 22, 30 and column 6, lines 20 to 25 and 36	1, 3 to 7, 19, 20, 23, 24
Y		2, 8 to 18, 21, 22
Y	US 5,337,908 (Beck, Jr.), Aug. 16, 1994	2, 13 to 17, 21

Further documents are listed in the continuation of Box

See patent family annex.

- \* Special categories of cited documents :
- "A" document defining the general state of the art which is not considered to be of particular relevance
- "B" earlier application or patent but published on or after the international filing date
- "L" document which may throw doubt on priority claim(s) or which is cited to establish the publication date of another citation or other special reason (as specified)
- "O" document referring to an oral disclosure, use, exhibition or other means
- "P" document published prior to the international filing date but later than the priority date claimed

T later document published after the international filing date or priority date and not in conflict with the application but cited to understand the principle or theory underlying the invention  
"X" document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered novel or cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is taken alone  
"Y" document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is combined with one or more other such documents, such combination being obvious to a person skilled in the art  
"Z" document member of the same patent family

Date of the actual completion of the international search

16 February 2005 (16-02-2005)

Date of mailing of the international search report

01 March 2005 (01-03-2005)

Name and mailing address of the ISA/CA  
Canadian Intellectual Property Office  
Place du Portage I, C114 - 1st Floor, Box PCT  
50 Victoria Street  
Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0C9

Faxsimile No: 001(819)953-2476

Authorized officer

Nathalie Popescu (819) 997-1995

Best Available Copy

# INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International application No.

Information on patent family members

Patent Document Cited in Search Report	Publication Date	Patent Family Member(s)	Publication Date
US4944056	31-07-1990	CA1320927 C DE68917400D D1 EP0361397 A2 JP2193667 A US4944056 A	03-08-1993 15-09-1994 04-04-1990 31-07-1990 31-07-1990
US5337908	16-08-1994	US5337908 A	16-08-1994

Best Available Copy